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WAR DEPARTMENT
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
WASHINGTON

12 September 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2, WDGS:

Subject: Pacific MIRS.

1. Reference is made to Memorandum for Chief, MIS, above subject, dated 8 September 1944.

2. The Chief, MIS, assumed responsibility for the operational control of Pacific MIRS on receipt of the above mentioned memorandum. Attached hereto as Tab A is the detailed plan for the full implementation of the Pacific MIRS. Action on the accomplishment of the various steps indicated therein is being expedited.

3. The Chief, MIS, visited the Pacific MIRS at Camp Ritchie, Maryland, and inspected the establishment. When the personnel complement traveling by rail from the MISLS at Fort Snelling, Minnesota, arrives at Camp Ritchie, the strength of Pacific MIRS will consist of ten officers and thirty-six enlisted men. Specialized training of the personnel has commenced.

4. The Chief, MIS, consulted with the representative of the Commanding General, MITC, (Colonel J. K. Hoffman); the Post Engineer, Camp Ritchie; the Chief, Military Branch, MIS; and the Chief, Pacific MIRS, and by utilizing the means available, by dispensing with certain facilities, by salvaging other materials, and by staggering the conversion construction, the cost estimate has been reduced from \$7,967.00 to \$790.00 as outlined in Tab B. This expenditure will be provided from the maintenance funds of the Post, *according to Col Hoffman*

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5. Reference first sentence in paragraph 7, subject memorandum from the A. C. of S., G-2, dated 8 September 1944, permission is requested to include the Commanding General, U. S. Army Forces, Pacific Ocean Areas, and the Commanding General, Alaskan Department. Reference last sentence same paragraph, it is requested this statement be modified as follows: "These documents should be brought in through British Command Channels to the Headquarters SEAC and their handling then be fully coordinated with the processing of documents for other areas."

6. Reference paragraph 13, same memorandum, no provision was made for the inclusion of personnel from the various technical intelligence agencies of the ASF in the 10 May memorandum because this personnel is to remain assigned to the ASF and to be attached to Pacific MIRS for liaison purposes only. However, this action should be formalized and has been included as a step in the implementation plan.

7. The implementation of the plan to place Pacific MIRS in full operation is being coordinated with the Policy Staff MID, the Policy Staff OPD, the JIS, and the A. C. of S., G-2, ASF. The Commanding General, Military Intelligence Training Center, will be kept informed.



R. A. OSMUN,
Brigadier General,
Chief, Military Intelligence Service.

September 17, 1944.

NOTE: Action has already been taken to include the two additional army theater commands (see Para. 5 above) in the order directing that all captured documents be sent to the MID.

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DETAILED PLAN
TO
FULLY IMPLEMENT ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION
OF
PACIFIC MIRS

- ✓ 1. Draft a memorandum for Chief, MIS, to MIS announcing that Pacific MIRS is established at Camp Ritchie, Maryland and is under the operational control of the Chief, MIS. *Sept. 12, 1944*
- ✓ 2. Make application for the procurement of additional personnel required to fill the MIS Section of the T/O for Pacific MIRS. *Sept. 12, 1944*
- ✓ 3. Make a memorandum for the record reference expense for the conversion of post warehouse to operating quarters for Pacific MIRS. *Sept. 12, 1944*
- ✓ 4. Draft a memorandum for the A. C. of S., G-2, for the Chief, MIS, in response to memorandum for the Chief, MIS, from the A. C. of S., G-2, subject, Pacific MIRS, dated 8 September 1944. *Sept. 12, 1944*
- ✓ 5. Draft instructions for theater commanders in the Pacific and Far East to send all captured Japanese air documents to A. C. of S., G-2, War Department as provided in Tab B, JCS memorandum dated 2 August 1944, subject, "Coordination of Japanese Air Intelligence." *Sept 14*
- ✓ 6. Draft instructions to Commander-in-Chief, GMPA; Commanding General, CBI; Commanding General, U. S. Army Forces, POA; and Commanding General, Alaskan Department to transmit captured Japanese documents to the A. C. of S., G-2, War Department. *Sept. 12, 1944*
- ✓ 7. Draft instructions to Commander-in-Chief POA to transmit all captured Japanese Air documents to the A. C. of S., G-2, War Department. *Sept 14*
8. Draft request to A. C. of A. S. (I), British Air Ministry requesting him to take necessary action to insure the transmission of all captured air documents from British Theaters in the Far East to A. C. of S., G-2, War Department.
9. Draft agreement between A. C. of S., G-2, and the Director of Naval Intelligence to:
 - ✓ a. Direct transmission of captured Japanese documents from all Naval Commands in the Pacific to A. C. of S., G-2, War Department. *Sept 14*
 - b. Prescribe Naval personnel to participate in document exploitation in Pacific MIRS.

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10. Draft agreement between A. C. of S., G-2, and the Director of Military Intelligence, War Office to:

a. Direct transmission of captured Japanese documents from all British Commands in the Far East to A. C. of S., G-2, War Department.

b. Prescribe British personnel to participate in document exploitation in Pacific MIRS.

11. Draft agreement between A. C. of S., G-2, and A. C. of A. S. (Intelligence), AAF, for air personnel to participate in exploitation of documents in Pacific MIRS.

12. Draft agreement between A. C. of S., G-2, WDGS, and A. C. of S., G-2, ASF, for detail of liaison representatives of U. S. Technical Intelligence Services in Pacific MIRS.

13. Draft directive to Chief, Pacific MIRS outlining:

a. Functions and responsibilities of Pacific MIRS.

b. Relation of Pacific MIRS with the Theaters.

c. Relation of Pacific MIRS to MIS, Technical Intelligence Services, AAF, U. S. Navy, British Intelligence organizations, and other governmental agencies.

d. Establishment of informal personal liaison with Theater Document Sections at SWPA, CBI, and Alaskan Department..

14. Direct Chief, Pacific MIRS to establish direct formal liaison with Theater Document Sections in Pacific and Far East as the action outlined above has been completed.

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Colonel, G. S. C.,
Chief, Military Branch,

Approved by the Chief, Military Intelligence Service.

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